

MATURDAY.....APRIL 30, 1904



A NARROW ESCAPE.

Miss Kara Smart Meets with a Serious Accident at Hands of Drunken Japanese.

the Union Signal.)

absence traveling over the same

Almost the first thing I knew I saw tide forunately (or I'd have had a broken head or neck most likely), and come. as the cold water rushed in mouth, ears, nose, there came to me like a flash father's instructions of many hold your breath, keep your arms low instructions to the letter. Result: I went down to the bottom, then, still



DEAD THAN ALIVE.

dicular stone wall ten feet or more high which every temperance man should in case I could get to it—directly I consider. saw his head and shoulders come above A young man who drinks even moderwater near the edge. I called to him ately thereby surrenders his place in and he turned as if shot (suppose he the commercial world. Should the thought I was done for), paddled out fathers and mothers of marriageable to me, and grasping the bottom of daughters be less concerned about the my skirt, towed me in until I got near habits of possible sons-in-law than are enough to catch his shoulders, which I bankers, railway managers, merchants grasped, and righted myself, standing and manufacturers about the conduct of by his side, while he held on to me and their hired men?—National Advocate. I to him, the water to our armpits as I remember.

Then we both yelled, "Help! help!" In our own language, and soon we and those three men pulling on one wrist which they could just reach with bles." the combined efforts of us all to get together, I was at last hauled out more dead than alive, and lifted to my feet only to tumble down again, for my strength went from me then, as Samson's must have done when he lost his hair.

After finding out about my baggage, two of those men took me, one on each side, and started me for the house. five blocks away. I went a few rods and then discovered my knee (left) was hurt, and a deathly faintness seized me. I started to fall, but the men held me firmly between them, saying most kindly: "Mo scotia, mo scotia" (meaning a little more-a little more). I begged them in Japanese to put me in another purunia and hurry me home, but they only said: "Scota matte, scotta matte!" (a little walt, a little wait) and dragged me along half falling, stumbling, plunging, half fainting. They got me home, looking like a drowned rat, and I had just strength enough left to arouse the household and toppled onto a chair then I had a nervous chill that was almost equal to an earthquake, and in the midst of it the doctor came and told me-"not to be so nervous." H ordered whisky post haste! I refus--told him there were)

ter remedies. He said No! I said, Yes! and stuck to it, and he got something else, though I had little need of it when it reached me, for my will had brought

This was five days ago, and I'm still confined to room and couch, though am getting so I can move about a lit

I got off with a sprained knee, wrenched back, numerous bruises and a shocked nervous system, which was not bad, considering.

How did it happen? Oh, the man vas full of sake, of course! I guess I'll never get over the fun it has caused among my friends, some of whom call me "a good sailor," "a temperance comet," etc.

The largest newspaper of Japan reported it, giving all details, and the Japanese temperance leaders (while leeply chagrined that one of their peo le should have laid me out), are very appy over the outcome. They say: "It's the best thing you've done yet!" That whereas I have heretofore reached thousands, now I have reached millions, for that paper goes all over the Empire, and there's a first class temperance lecture in it as well as plenty of good advertising.

The police swooped down on that poor "kurumaya" (jinrikisha man) at ing for him (for it's pretty serious, in much comment as to who had made, plete success of the affair. Our hosfess (We are permitted to quote the fol- business to hurt a "foreigner"), but dowing extracts from a personal letter in the midst of my suffering I begged to Miss Smart's mother .- Editors of the head of the police, who had come to see me, not to punish or do anything Tokyo, Japan.-The other evening, with the man, and while he made no as I was coming home, after a day's promises to me then and waited two days to see how seriously I was hurt, road I have traveled hundreds of he eventually let him go and gave him times, my jinrikisha man turned ab- back his license. Such gratitude as ruptly and darted off the road into the the poor fellow and all his assiciates big canal along which the road runs. exhibited! His poor wife came to see It was done so quickly I had no time me yesterday and brought me a lot of to jump to save myself nor to stop the nice oranges. She was completely upset over it. The head man from the jinrikisha stand has been to call several thim dropping into that awful black times, and I've been almost overhole, then saw one wheel go over (we whelmed with calls and attention from went sideways fortunately) the stone friends and from those also whom I wall lining side of canal, and then I never before met, both foreigners and was hurled into a gulf of pitch darkness Japanese. My accident has evidently and knew nothing more until I struck waked people up somewhat. Books the water some fifteen feet distant, magazines, flowers and fruit, besides Down, down I went, for it was high many notes of sympathy, have been bestowed upon me, and still they

This is the third narrow escape have had in three months, though the other two were not such close shaves years ago: "Keep your mouth shut, and I'm as careful as I can be and do not needlessly run into danger, but down, and you'll come to the top and you know this is not yet a civilized float until some one can rescue you,", country, and even if it were-well, and I immediately proceeded to fol they have a few accidents in civilized countries, too, I notice.

Mr. Nemoto, vice-president of the holding my breath, turned over and National Temperance League, informed came up to the top, right side up with me that the temperance societies never could have afforded to pay for the amount of space devoted by the newspapers to our cause just now, and he's

The doctor says I must keep quie for a few weeks, and I shall be all right. The hardest thing to replace will, I fear, be my clothing, for l went in all over-hat, coat and all, and they are somewhat the worse for such close contact with water and mud. Oh, well, it will all come out some way in course of time.

TEMPERANCE POINTS.

Ex-Gov. John D. Long has been elected to the presidency of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence society.

Stand with anybody that stan Stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong .-Lincoln. Enact into every day living the ethics

of Christ's Gospel; nothing else can 4 WAS AT LAST HAULED OUT MORE bring the glad day of universal brotherhood.-Frances E. Willard.

The average per capita consumption care, and I floated. Looked about for of liquor in the United States last year the finrikisha man and saw none, but was 19.48 gallons. Such is the statewhile I was wondering what I could ment of the American Prohibition Year do next, how I could get out of that Book for 1904, edited by Mr. Alonzo E. awful place when I didn't know any Wilson, the state chairman for Illinois, Japanese word for "help" and I and just issued from the headquarters in couldn't swim nor climb up a perpen-, Chicago. Among other startling facts

Anti-Saloon league workers of Iowa have commenced the issuance of posters bearing the pictures of the Bible and a barrel of whisky, asking the voters heard voices and then three Japs' which they will choose for government. heads peeked over the canal wall and The liquor dealers have accepted the peered down onto us. By dint of the challenge to battle and say: "We will man with me boosting, my scrambling see which will go the furthest in the fight -a barrel of whisky or a bushel of Bi-

Temperance Agitation in Russia.

We are in receipt of several journals published in different parts of Russia devoted to the presentation of the dangers from the use of alcohol as a beverage. These journals are edited with great spirit and present the subject with strong emphatic language, condemning the government plan of the sale of the spirits and urging individuals to give up all use of spirits as dangerous in the last degree. Compared with the 50 or more journals in this country in which all forms of temperance work are urged it is evident that the Russian and Scandinavian countries are more deeply interested and are taking up the subject from a broader point of view, dealing with facts more than theories. - Journal of

A King's Opinion.

The king of Sweden never loses an opportunity of saying a word for temperance. An English company is at present engaged working a gold mine in Norway. and the king recently had an interview in the hall, but I didn't faint. Oh, no! with the heads of the concern, who pre-I knew I mustn't; if I did, then the sented him with some gold jewelry, the worst would be to pay, so I held onto produce of the mine. The king, on bemy will power and exerted it as best ing informed that a large number of I could, while four women and two the miners were Good Templars, said: strong men undressed and carried me "I am very glad to hear it, because up to my room and put me to bed; they are just the sort of men to give satisfaction."-National Advocate.

in feet rises two water to Farm Journal.

AN INCIDENT OF THE CIVIL WAR

Bountiful Repast Served to Ravenous Union Soldiers.

ing on Raleigh, N. C., in 1865, I was of 16 were all present, and she put in charge of a forage detail of a that about two hours before a Yankee sergeant, corporal and 13 men, taken soldier had stopped at the house and from the three regiments composing stated that about noon a party of 18 many years, she a widow with five chilthe brigade, with instructions to bring Yankee soldiers would stop at the dren and he a disconsolate bachelor, forage and turn it over to the brigade quartermaster for distribution," writes had at once set the negroes to work a veteran in the Philadelphia Press. teenth corps, was on the extreme right vegetables, and had also sent word to of the army, and our detail started off the neighboring plantations for the through the woods at right angles to girls to come and help wait on the the line of march. A light rain was Yankees. The result we saw before us. falling, but by the time we reached a

house for dinner; that thereupon she catching and dressing chickens, bak-"The division, Gen. Corse's, of the Fif- ing bread, making pies and preparing

"What a delightful surprise it was! turnpike leading in the direction paral- A splendid dinner, with the sauce of lel to the line of march of the army ravenous appetites, a smiling hostess, the rain ceased. The freshly made and a bevy of charming girls for waitfootsteps of a man were plainly visible ers. Why, it was like being with home on the road, going in the same directfolks once more and sitting down to tion with ourselves, toward Raleigh, one of mother's dinners. But there once and would have made it interest and as we tramped along we indulged was one thing which marred the com-



WHAT A DELIGHTFUL SURPRISE!

them and what he was doing out by | in my opinion never ceased to considhimself so near the flank of a great er herself defrauded; she was bent line of the story.

started out, and as it had been a long, long time since we had eaten a meal in a house, with civilized surroundings, we determined to stop at the first big house we came to and get dinner. Finally we reached a plantation that appeared to meet our requirements, and we halted. I inquired of the woman of the house if she could supply us with dinner, and she at once replied: 'Come right in and sit down on the porch. Dinner will be ready in a few moments.' It was surprising to find so hospitable and prompt a hostess, the mud, we never knew. We never and we were also suprised to see so many good-looking, well-dressed girls should see hide or hair of us or know around as were present. In a very anything about us. His stopping at short time we were invited into a long, the house and ordering, in a lofty sort room, where a table glittering with silthose good-looking girls ready to wait ever, and were thankful that the peo-

of way, the preparation of a dinner for ver and glass, was spread with a boun- 18 men was merely a freak on his part. teous feast, and ranged about it were We were much obliged to him, howple at the plantation had not improved "As we sat down we noticed that the time in sending out word to Joe

matron asked where the other two rival."

KEEPS WAR-TIME VALENTINE GLAD HE MISSED THE MARK

Iowa Veteran of the Civil War Treasures a Token Received in the Trenches.

In the trenches at Fort Donaldson, 42 years ago, David L. Houser, of Iowa City, Ia., received the valentine which he so proudly exhibits to-day. And the northern girl whose warm heart led her to send it is to-day Mrs. Houser, says the the judiciary committee to meet Rep-Chicago Chronicle.

The story of the valentine is the story of a romance of nearly half a century. Several years before the civil war broke out the boy and girl had known and in a he and Mr. Jenkins were shaking childish way had loved each other. By the time that the war was declared David Houser was old enough to enlist and with the girl's promise seurely locked in

his heart he started for the front. For a year he received letters regu- : event. larly and then they ceased to come. In some manner, though he did not know it St. Valentine's day, 1862, found him in the thick of the fight near Fort Donald- a black plume in your hat." son, despondent and hopeless, and no news from home or sweetheart. That

day brought him the valentine. The valentine itself is a quaint, oldsame sentiments as its modern brother. Still fresh and bright as the day it was sent, though the envelope which has sheltered it for so long is yellow with age, it is a war memento that Mr. Houser values many times more than anything I am very glad now that the builet else in his possession.

Mr. Houser states that on the day on which the valentine was delivered it had rained hard all morning, the water freezing to the clothes of the soldier boys. The men were allowed to have no fire in the trenches, but could leave in squads and cook their rations. Despite all of these difficulties the mail was delivered even to the men on the outposts,

Superfluous.

"Don't use poor soap," read Hungry Hawkins from the piece of newspaper that came with a hand-out. "Some folks waste er lot uv words,

growled Weary Walker. "In dat sentence I'd leave out de word 'poor.' "-Chicago Daily News.

Little Topers. The teachers of three French public schools in Normandy report that 75 more. per cent. of the girls in them take brandy in their coffee at breakfast.

Not Alone in Mechanics. If more oil were used upon the machinery there would be less breaks -

upon feeding 18 hungry men, and there were but 16 of us. "And the boys behaved beautifully.

courteous and keenly appreciative of bridegroom this display of unexpected kindness. After an hour's stay we bade these hospitable people good-by and drifted on With the exception of the First Attacks Animal with a Gun, But one referred to, we were the first Yankee soldiers the ladies had ever seen. I hope they saw no others.

"As to what that solitary advance courier was, leaving his footprints in saw him, and it was impossible that he there were two empty chairs, and the Wheeler's cavalry of our expected ar-

When Representative Jenkins, of Wisconsin, Shot at Gen. Fitzhugh Lee.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and Representative W. A. Jones, of Virginia, were in the house gallery the other day when a messenger came to ask Gen. Lee if he would be willing to go to the room of resentative Jenkins, of Wisconsin, relates the Washington Post.

The request was entirely agreeable to Gen. Lee, and a few minutes later hands and looking cordially into each other's faces.

"I saw you once a good many years ago," said Mr. Jenkins. Gen. Lee remarked that he did not recall the

"It was near Brandy Station," continued Mr. Jenkins. "You were riding at the time, his address had been lost, at the head of a column of men, mounted on a gray horse and wearing

"Oh, yes," said Gen. Lee, recalling 1 "You didn't see us," added Mr. Jenkins. "You didn't even know the fashioned affair, but it expresses the Yankees were near. We were posted out in the woods, and, as I saw you riding by, I aimed my musket as carefully as I could and fired. I was much chagrined then to note that you rode on, your black plume still waving, but

> missed its mark." Gen. Lee, too, expressed his gratification that Jenkins on that occasion proved a poor marks man, and the two adjourned to the senate restaurant where the battle of Brandy Station was fought over again, and the entente cordiale firmly established.

A Scientific Explanation.

"Are onions considered healthy?" asked the investigator of the expert. "Are onions healthy?" repeats the expert. "Yes, indeed."

"But why are they so considered?" "It stands to reason that they should be. They go to bed early and when they get up they are good and strong."-Chicago Tribune.

The Patient Man.

"My dear," said Mr. Henpeck, "I wish you wouldn't call me 'Leo' any

REAL LEAP YEAR WEDDING.

Iowa Woman Takes a Husband to Hesk the Corn That Was About to Go to Waste.

From Omaha, Neb., a correspondent of the New York World writes that Mrs. R. E. Edwards-fair, fat and 40-has elevated Peter Wyma to the position of husband and has accepted his nameall because she had 1,000 bushels of corn and no one to husk it, and it was leap

lived neighbors in the little town of Ascot, Pottawattamie county, Ia., for



with none to love him or care for him Some years ago Mrs. Edwards made herself famous by her refusal to vacate a piece of land which the courts had held was accretion land and belonged to the owner of abutting property. Officers were sent to evict her, and she held them off with a shotgun. From early life she has been accustomed to get what she went after.

The widow and the bachelor met in the streets of Council Bluffs. The widow was thinking of the fine ears of corn which were going to waste on her land and wondering whom she could find to husk them, when she spied Peter.

"Oh, then this is a regular bona fide leap year wedding?" replied Justice Ouren, before whom they appeared an hour later, after he had heard the out-

"Well, I guess that's what you might call it. She asked me to get married a sort of sudden like this morning, and I They put on their best manners, were said I would. I'm satisfied, and I guess full of chat and banter, but polite and she is. So there you are," answered the

WOMAN KILLS A WILDCAT.

Finally Vanquishes It with a Wagon Spoke.

Mrs. Mary Taylor, of Bell county, Ky., after a terrible battle with a wildcat, killed it with a wagon spoke. Some animal had been killing Mrs. Taylor's poultry, but all efforts to catch the thief had proved futile.

She was working in the house, when her attention was attracted by noise in the barnyard. She investigated, and the chickens, and which dogs had run



up a tree. Mrs. Taylor took her husband's gun, and went after the intruder. The first shot brought him down the mal.

the army movements in that vicinity. mal and the dogs, but the latter were too small to successfully fight such a foe. Mrs. Taylor could not fire a second time for fear of killing her dogs. She got a wagon spoke, and by a clever blow finally crushed the cat's skull. Mrs.

Taylor's ciething was tern from her body, and she was severely injured. A New Aid to Navigation.

The automatic compass of M. Heit, which has been brought to notice in Marseilles after a test of several months, is claimed to offer an important new aid to navigation. The basin is divided into solated sections, and an electric current is so arranged that a flexible wire moving over a small silver index attached to the card gives a record minute by minute of the angle of the needle with the meridian, thus supplying a complete register of the ship's course and of the time of the helmsman's changes. Certain sections are connected to call bells, which signal to the commander any unusual deviations. The apparatus shows the speed of the vessel by registering the revolutions of the screw, and it also indicates the time of departrue and of every stop and start.

Grains of Wheat.

A bushel of wheat by actual count, has been found to contain 869,720

"What nonsense is this?" snapped his wife. "That's what you were christened."

"I know, but it makes my friends laugh when you call me that. I was thinking you might call me 'Job,' just for a pet name."—Philadelphia Press.

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